

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

JOHN ARTHUR "JACK" JOHNSON
POSTHUMOUS PARDON

SPEECH OF

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2009

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in support of S. Con. Res. 29 (the companion bill to H. Con. Res. 91), a resolution granting a posthumous pardon to John Arthur "Jack" Johnson for his 1913 racially motivated conviction. On April 1, 2009, I introduced my resolution with Congressman JESSE JACKSON, Jr. and I join today with my colleagues in urging the House to support this effort.

Jack Johnson became the first black World Heavyweight Boxing Champion in 1908 after defeating Tommy Burns in Australia and kept the title until 1915. He was a flamboyant and controversial figure in American history who paved the way for African-American athletes to participate and succeed in racially integrated professional sports in the United States.

Prompted by his success in the boxing ring and his relationship with a white woman, Jack Johnson was wronged by a racially motivated conviction under the Mann Act. He was convicted in 1913 after fleeing to Canada, Europe and South America and served one year in prison. Being convicted ruined his career and wrongly destroyed his reputation.

Because of this, we believe the President should grant a posthumous pardon to Jack Johnson to clear his name and recognize his athletic and cultural contributions to society. I am proud to have sponsored this resolution on his behalf.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all my colleagues to support this resolution.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately I missed some recorded votes on the House floor on Friday, July 24, 2009.

I ask that the RECORD reflect that had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall vote No. 638 (On motion to table appeal of the ruling of the chair), "no" on rollcall vote No. 639 (On Ordering the Previous Question to H. Res. 673), "no" on rollcall vote No. 640 (On Agreeing to H. Res. 673), "no" on rollcall vote No. 641 (On Agreeing to the Obey of Wisconsin amendment to H.R. 3293), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 642 (On Agreeing to the Souder of Indiana amendment to H.R. 3293), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 643 (On Agreeing to the Pence of Indiana amendment to H.R. 3293), "aye" on Rollcall vote No. 644 (On

Agreeing to the Wittman of Virginia amendment to H.R. 3293), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 645 (On motion to recommit with instructions to H.R. 3293), "no" on rollcall vote No. 646 (On passage to H.R. 3293).

HONORING BRITTANY BASS AND
KIRSTEN MUELLER UPON RE-
CEIPT OF THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD
AWARD

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. ISRAEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge two young women in my hometown of Dix Hills, Brittany Bass and Kirsten Mueller.

Brittany and Kirsten will receive the Girl Scout Gold Award on August 3, 2009. Their project included teaching younger girls how to stay healthy by collecting new and used sporting equipment, food for local pantry and sneakers for the Nike Reuse-A-Shoe Foundation. I wish to commend them for their community service.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Madam Speaker, yesterday, I missed 7 votes. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows. Rollcall No. 654, on Ordering the Previous Question on the Amendment to and Resolution H. Res. 685, I would have voted "yea."

Rollcall No. 655, on Agreeing to the Resolution, as Amended H. Res. 685, I would have voted "yea."

Rollcall No. 656, on the Motion to Table H. Res. 690, I would have voted "yea."

Rollcall No. 657, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 2749, I would have voted "yea."

Rollcall No. 658, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 1665, I would have voted "yea."

Rollcall No. 659, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 3357, I would have voted "yea."

Rollcall No. 660, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree to, as Amended, H. Res. 496, I would have voted "yea."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DOC HASTINGS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. Madam Speaker, to provide open disclosure, I am

submitting the following information regarding projects that I support for inclusion in H.R. 3293, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Amount: \$600,000

Account: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services—Health Resources and Service Administration

Entity receiving funds: Central Washington Hospital located at 1201 South Miller Street, Wenatchee, WA 98807.

Description: These funds will be used to expand Central Washington Hospital's medical campus so that the hospital can continue to meet the health care needs of North Central Washington. This region is currently facing a shortage of hospital beds.

Amount: \$400,000

Account: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services—Health Resources and Service Administration

Entity receiving funds: Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences located at 111 University Parkway, Suite 202, Yakima, WA 98901.

Description: Funds will be used to help the new College of Allied Health and Sciences and Postgraduate Studies develop and implement new programs to teach medical specialties where there are doctor shortages in the region.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2009

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration of the bill (H.R. 3326) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes:

Mr. STARK. Madam Chair, I rise in opposition to the Defense Appropriations bill. As families and businesses struggle in this recession, this bill spends money on the wrong priorities for our Nation and the world.

The legislation provides \$128.3 billion to fund wars in Afghanistan and Iraq that never should have been waged, as well as \$9.3 billion for missile defense funding that doesn't work. According to the Washington Post, over \$6.9 billion in funding is for new ships, planes, helicopters and armored vehicles that the Pentagon doesn't want.

We are wasting money on these projects as defense eats up a larger share of our budget—58 percent of all discretionary spending, up from 51 percent four years ago.

This giveaway to defense contractors comes at the same time that Members of Congress are balking at health care reform that will cost a fraction of our defense spending over the same time period. I urge my colleagues to join me in voting no.

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HONORING ANDREW TINGWALL

HON. HARRY TEAGUE

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. TEAGUE. Madam Speaker, today I would like to honor a very special New Mexican, Andrew Tingwall of the New Mexico State Police. Sergeant Tingwall served our country and my home state with distinction and honor for almost two decades, beginning with his tenure in the United States Marine Corps, where he was a Jump Qualified Reconnaissance Marine. Sergeant Tingwall then went on to join the New Mexico State Police, where he became the youngest pilot on the force. During his time with the State police he was named the 2008 Officer of the year by the New Mexico Sheriffs and Police Association for his lifesaving efforts of a man that had fallen into an arroyo in Albuquerque.

On several occasions, Sergeant Tingwall risked his own life to save others. He did so without any thought of personal gain. The only driving force for him was his mission to serve and protect and sadly that discipline cost him his life when Sergeant Tingwall flew his last mission earlier this year in an attempt to find lost hikers in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Andrew did all he could, but in the end, this mission was his last.

Throughout his career in public service he exemplified the attributes that make both the New Mexico State Police and the United States Marine Corps premier organizations that defend liberty and security of Americans and New Mexicans.

ENERGY**HON. BETSY MARKEY**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Ms. MARKEY of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remind my colleagues to continue the dialogue on the American Clean Energy and Security Act over the August recess. I supported this legislation because I believe western states like Colorado stand to gain much from this energy bill. Renewable energy companies like Abound Solar and Vestas Wind Systems are already creating jobs and driving economic development in northern and eastern Colorado.

I believe the House-passed bill will help farmers and ranchers reap great benefits in America's renewable energy economy. I worked hard with my colleagues on the Agriculture Committee to ensure the concerns of America's farmers and ranchers were addressed. By developing cleaner energy here at home and using the vast domestic resources we currently have, we can work towards a less volatile energy market that will benefit us all.

I encourage all my colleagues in the House and the Senate to continue this important work.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF
OSCAR OLCHYK**HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor the memory of one of my fellow South Florida constituents, Oscar Olchyk. Oscar passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 23 at the age of 82, surrounded by his loving family.

Oscar spent his life completely and wholeheartedly dedicating himself to his family, including his wife of 50 years, Marta, his children, Sonia and Samuel, his grandchildren, Abram and Ross, his brother Bernardo, and his sister Mary. He also held an immense devotion for his mother and father-in-law, his daughter-in-law, Debbie, and his brother-in-law, Boris.

Born in Havana, Cuba in 1927, Oscar spent his first 33 years in Cuba, where he became a Certified Public Accountant and a Professor of Accounting at the University of Havana. It was also in Cuba where he met the love of his life, Marta, and where they were married and started a family together. Oscar and Marta, along with their son Samuel, fled Cuba for a new life in the United States after the Castro takeover.

Oscar spent most of his life in Dallas, Texas, where he continued to raise a family with his wife. In addition to his family, he devoted himself to pursuing a higher education, serving his community, and his accounting practice. Oscar and Marta spent the last decade enjoying their retirement in beautiful South Florida and near their family. They both had the opportunity to travel around the world and spend their 50th anniversary with their grandson, Abram.

My greatest sympathy goes to all of his loving family and friends whom he treasured so deeply throughout his life.

HONORING THE PUBLIC SERVICE
AND COMMUNITY ACTIVISM OF
MR. CLYDE MCINTOSH OF NORTH
CAROLINA

HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. SHULER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an outstanding public servant and dedicated volunteer in Yancey County, North Carolina. Mr. Clyde McIntosh of Burnsville has dedicated his life to service and activism. After graduating from Burnsville High School in 1950, Mr. McIntosh proudly served four years in the United States Navy. Upon completion of his service, he moved back to the mountains of western North Carolina, where he built a successful real estate and development business and operated a dairy farm. During this period, he worked diligently toward the goal of preserving the rural heritage of the area.

Mr. McIntosh assumed public office when he was elected Sheriff of Yancey County in 1986. From 1999 to 2005, he served on the Board of Directors of the Yancey County Department of Social Services, spending a por-

tion of his tenure as Chair. For many years, Mr. McIntosh has been an active community volunteer for the Lions Club and Meals on Wheels.

Mr. McIntosh has worked for years to educate Yancey County youth on the importance of civic engagement and community involvement. He has acted as a mentor for the Young Democrats organization of Yancey County, encouraging young people to be politically active.

I commend his outstanding contributions to the Democratic Party. In April 2001, he was named Mountain Democrat of the Year and also served as Yancey County Democratic Party Chair throughout the years. He has served as Precinct Chair for both Jacks Creek and Burnsville Townships, and he is currently the Burnsville Township Chair.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mr. Clyde McIntosh and recognizing his service to Yancey County, North Carolina.

BOB BARKER'S LIFELONG PASSION
TO PROTECT ANIMALS

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, Bob Barker is a household name who is known nationally and internationally as the beloved host of the Price is Right. While he has retired from his career in television, he has redoubled his lifelong efforts to protect animals around the world.

I first met Bob Barker a number of years ago when he was here in the Capitol in support of legislation to stop the inhumane treatment of animals. We quickly became good friends and my wife Beverly and I have come to respect not only his commitment to animals but also his unwavering support for our men and women who serve in uniform.

Bob Barker is a great American with a very unique background. He grew up on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota and was a Navy fighter pilot at the end of World War II.

Yesterday Beverly joined Bob Barker for a press conference about another case of the mistreatment of animals that was brought to his attention and which he has in turn called to the attention of our nation. Following my remarks, I would like to include for the benefit of my colleagues an Associated Press report about that event. While I wish I could have been there with Bob to show my support for his work and lifelong passion, I had to be here in the House as we debated the rule and began consideration of the Defense Appropriations Bill.

However, Madam Speaker, I wanted to commend Bob Barker for once again crisscrossing our nation in his continuing commitment to protect innocent animals that cannot protect themselves.

BOB BARKER ASKS CHEROKEES TO END NORTH
CAROLINA BEAR PIT ATTRACTIONS

(From The Canadian Press, July 29, 2007)

ASHEVILLE, N.C.—Former game show host and longtime animal rights activist Bob Barker has made a personal appeal to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina to stop exhibiting bears in pit-like enclosures at three local zoos.